

OF THE GIPSY KING.
It occurred on Tuesday night
at Ham Union Infirmary of
Lee, the gipsy king," aged
had been an inmate of the
infirmary for about four
He was admitted on the same
Dame Rachel Parry passed
precisely the same age, having
and lying in a stable at Forest
definite condition. Deceased
in June, 1793. He claimed the
as of being a thoroughbred
deal "Romany chaff." The doc-
"claimed to have fought
as Jean Maco.

DI GOLD!

in Conway reports that the Andes
ances, are richer in gold than
y ago, eager feet, and anxious
turned towards the Andes. The
s new El Dorado! A dream of
treasure; the coffers of the earth

What good is this gold under
of the earth without sound health?
umation, Jones has gone, you have
therefore none of us can go
erry over it? No, we will all three
d's Curative Syrup, especially after
is better, and then eat bravely out.
been very unwell for some months,
painful abscess formed under my
and seemed to sap my strength. I
the doctor. He said I was suffering
re chronic dyspepsia, and gave me

After eating I felt sick, and about an
meals an indescribably empty and
alling upset me. I felt that I should
did not have something at once. I
d to go to Church because of the
empty feeling. The bad state of my
could be seen by the yellow coating
tongue, and a nauseous taste continu-
my mouth.

more abscess broke out under the
a. After six weeks the doctor said
was his best, and it occurred to me
Seigel's Curative Syrup. The effect
remarkable; the abscesses got better, and
unmanned taking Seigel's Syrup I am
troubled with diarrhoea, sickness, an
sinking feeling, or faintness, and feel
better and better in every way.

I taken nothing but Seigel's Syrup
doctor left.—May 16th, 1906. Mrs.
Chilton, near Stercoratus, Bertha."

ness is a collection of impure matter
the blood continues in an impure
may become most alarming. The
fect of Seigel's on Mrs. Palmer was
the system, and promote good diges-
that the blood was quickly freed
urities by the stimulated action of
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TALK OF THE PEOPLE.

Sunday Morning.
We have been "singing the end" for so long in South Africa that one gets weary of prophesying a speedy conclusion to the war. Yet I really think that it cannot be far off now. The attitude of the Boers has undergone a complete change within the last few days, and men who seemed utterly irreconcilable are coming in to surrender. The more sensible of the enemy, however, bicker they may feel towards us, recognise that there is no further hope of recovering the independence of the Orange River, and that a continuance of fighting means that the country will become more and more desolate. Therefore more and more of them are looking for a chance.

One must not forget, however, that there is a distinct element among the forces of the enemy which have grown weary of the marauding life the commandos are now leading, and do not want to give it up. They are not likely to come in except under imminent fear of death or severe punishment, and they really constitute the one serious obstacle to our progress. They came to their unhappy misfortune when they were not, and indeed, so many of them are foreigners of broken fortunes that the peace which would send them back to their own countries is almost the worst misfortune they have to fear.

Now it seems to me, and to a good many other people, that these men are not enemies in the ordinary sense of the term, but more brigands, who ought to be treated as such. We have been amazingly lenient so far, but there is a limit to all things, and we cannot allow South Africa to be ruined out of a tender consideration for ruffians who are no more belligerent than you are. The time will very shortly come, if it has not already arrived, when the authorities will be thoroughly justified in declaring that the war, as a war, has ended, and that those who continue fighting will be treated as ordinary disturbers of the King's peace.

Our pro-Boers have sedulously set about the idea that Sir Alfred Milner is not really returning home for a short rest, but that he has had differences with the Government, and has really been recalled. There never was a more unfounded statement, and the Government have taken an excellent way to meet it. When a man is met at the station by the Prime Minister and the Colonial Secretary, and is then taken by them straight to the house of the King, he can be taken to laugh at rumours of his "recall." No more conspicuous honour has ever been devised for a public servant, and I will add that no public servant has ever deserved it more.

It will be interesting to watch what happens on Monday when the Second Reading of the Finance Bill is taken. As you know, the official Opposition amendment is to be moved by Sir Henry Fortier, whom the pro-Boers and Irish have been so busy forgetting the attitude of the patriotic Englishman towards the war. All attempts to persuade them to support his amendment have hitherto failed, though I understand that they have absurdly enough, offered to go into it and lobby with him if he will withdraw his amendment and simply move the rejection of the Bill. A wiser course, for a responsible Opposition leader who may have some day to provide for the finances of the country himself, is impossible, so that there is every chance that the voting on the amendment will reveal what force the pro-Boer Opposition Bench really has behind it, when the pro-Boers and the Irish are subtracted.

The Habitual Drunkards' Bill, which the House of Lords were considering last week, has been a very interesting measure, but I rather doubt whether its provision will be of much effect in the towns. How is the unfortunate publican to know that the mid-mannered and perfectly sober person who demands to be served, and whom he never sees before is a habitual drunkard? On the other hand, the provision which gives as well as relief from drunken husbands will probably put an end to a great deal of very sad suffering.

It makes one tired to read in the evidence given upon the Transvaal Compensation Commission that we were deporting the "undesirables"—in other words, the notorious bad characters—out of the country, and that we were in a first, second, and third class, while poor, brave Tommy Atkins had to ride in open trucks. It seems to me that what is good enough for Tommy ought to be good enough for a Johannesburg thief, and that if any carriage was to occupy the first-class carriage, it ought to be the one in which the men who have won the Victoria Cross, the D.S.O., and every other distinction for their country.

It is really a little difficult to know how to deal with the amazing story from Serbia, except to say that whatever be the truth it is one of the most extraordinary Royal scandals ever known. Whether Queen Draga tricked King Alexander into marrying her by representing that the birth of their child ought to take place in circumstances which would make the child legitimate, or whether she was herself deceived, we shall never know. The only thing which seems certain is that the expected heir is to be expected no longer, and that a number of great personages have been asked to look exceedingly foolish, and that a drastic crisis in Serbia is almost a certainty.

By the way, among the people who were so excitedly annoyed by Queen Draga's trick or delusion—whichever it was—the "war, about whom a contemporary tells us an admirable story that I make no apology for reproducing it here. It seems that the officers of one of his crack regiments considered it very much beneath their dignity to ride in a tram-car, and were bitterly offended with a young lieutenant who had done so. "Gentlemen," said the Czar, "I hear that you are in a tram is considered beneath the dignity of an officer in your regiment. I am your colonel, and I have just been riding in a tram. Do you wish me to send in my papers?"

LATEST ELECTRIC FLASHES.

HOME.
Mr. Blane was sentenced to a month at Leeds for assaulting P.C. Barrett. Mr. Woodhouse, labourer, was found guilty by the Bench in an outburst of his home at Barnet.

The nine-year-old son of Geo. Lambert, chemical worker, Northwich, was drowned, while bathing. The latest ironed, the Vengeance, was open for public inspection at Barrow-in-Furness, previous to her maiden trip to Portsmouth.

In a bill whiting caught 53 miles N.E. of May Island, and landed at Granton, was found a neckless 15 inches long.

Abel Jones, butcher, Aberporth, was fined 4s and costs for assaulting Jno. Rbt. Wynne, railway porter at Chester Station.

Patrick Connor, charged at Lancaster with the manslaughter of Patrick Coyne in a brawl, was discharged.

Mr. Adams, navy, was remanded at Wexhambury on a charge of stealing 25 and several articles belonging to Thos. Grove.

Ed. Parkes, collar, charged with keeping a bazaar club near Doncaster, was ordered to pay a fine of 10s and costs for selling beer without a license.

A retired lady named Halse, living in Market-st., Bedford, was committed to prison for cutting her throat with a carving knife.

FOREIGN.
Mrs. McKinley was slightly bitten at midday yesterday.

The French naval manoeuvres will be held in the Mediterranean from June 21 to July 28—Danzel.

A settlement has been arrived at between the conveyance firm at Albany and the company—Reuter.

The death of Mrs. Gage, wife of the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, is announced—Reuter.

According to the New York "Herald," the purchase of the Leyland line is said to be in the interests of the Erie Railroad Co.—Reuter.

The Norwegian Government has rejected by 16 votes to 13 the motion for granting communal suffrage to women—Reuter.

It is understood that Baron E. de Rothschild has gone to Moscow in connection with a new oil discovery in that district—Danzel.

Four per cent. Loan will be issued on Wednesday (20). The success of the issue is said to be assured—Danzel.

The name of M. Revell, French Minister to Morocco, is mentioned as the future Governor-Gen. of Algeria—Danzel.

The Mende have now paid two-thirds of the fine of one lakh rupees upon them for their frontier raids last year—Reuter.

The two directors of the Pommerische Hypotheken Aktien Bank were arrested at Berlin yesterday, and lodged in prison, pending their judicial examination—Reuter.

Mr. Minckwitz, an ex-archbishop, who has for some time past been reduced to poverty and want, stopped in front of an electric car at Berlin, and was cut to pieces—Danzel.

The German Chancellor, Count von Buelow, the Austrian Foreign Minister, Goltz, and the Italian Foreign Minister, M. Prinetti, are all expected to be in London on Monday, regarding the renewal of the Triple Alliance. The Emperor Francis Joseph has sent to King Victor Emmanuel a pressing invitation to visit Vienna—Central News.

EAST ANGLIAN DINNER.
The sixth annual banquet of the London Society of East Anglians was held last night in the Grand Hall, Hotel Cecil. The chair was occupied by Sir Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., who was supported by Lord Alverstone (Lord Chief Justice), Mr. J. Bailey, M.P., Mr. F. W. Wilson, M.P., Mr. E. S. Mervin, M.P., Mr. C. F. M.P., Sir J. L. Robinson, K.C.B., Sir H. Jerningham, K.C.M.G., Lady Tacon, the Mayor of Ipswich, and the Mayor of Chelmsford. The royal toasts were proposed by the chairman, who alluded to the happy days spent at Sandringham by the Queen, perhaps the happiest she had ever spent. Mr. E. S. Mervin gave "The Imperial Forces of the Empire," and referred to the pride East Anglians took in the Navy, owing to the fact that Nelson was an East Anglian, and in the Army because Lord Kitchener also came from the same part of the country. In responding, Col. Lucas, M.P., paid an eloquent tribute to the services rendered by the militia in South Africa. Going on to speak of the Imperial Yeomanry, he said that this force had a peculiar interest for East Anglians in the formation of the Yeomanry, about 100 years ago, was due to Arthur Young, an East Anglian. As regards the work of the Imperial Yeomanry Committee, he said that the force had recently succeeded in sending out, fully equipped, a total of 27,756 officers and men. Other toasts followed, and during the evening an attractive musical programme was given through.

THE ALLEGED ASSAULTS ON GIRLS.
At Marylebone Police Court yesterday, Large Mardel, artist, was charged in reman with assaulting two children, who had sat for him as models, as reported last week. Prisoner was now committed for trial, bail in £200.

At the S.W. Police Court, yesterday, Wm. White, 18, and Hy. Pallen, 23, labourers, were committed for trial, charged with conspiring to commit a criminal assault on George Swadling, 15, of Wardley-st., Wandsworth.

FIRE AT LORENZO MARQUES.
GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS DESTROYED.
Lorenzo Marques, May 18.—A fire, originating in the Future Printing Works here, destroyed the works and all the documents and archives which it contained. The war material depot was also burned. The buildings of the Public Works Department were saved—Reuter.

Soldiers and sailors in uniform will be admitted at half price on Thursday, the opening day of the Naval and Military Exhibition at the Crystal Palace, and also during the day the exhibition is open. On Friday next, the anniversary of the late Queen's birthday, all soldiers and sailors in uniform will be admitted free to the Palace.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

HAPPY YOUNGSTERS AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.
SPEECH BY MR. BRODRICK.
Yesterday, at the Crystal Palace, the occasion being the annual festival promoted by the London Education Branch of the Church of England Temperance Society (Juvenile Department). The weather, fortunately, proved fine, and from noon until late in the evening there were a series of interesting events, in which the leading actors were the young members of the various branches of the society in the most every metropolitan parish. It was estimated that over 25,000 children and their friends took part in the proceedings, over half that number being represented in the GRAND MARCH PAST.

At noon, which was witnessed by many distinguished visitors including Lady Hilda Brodrick, the Right Hon. Sir John Brodrick, M.P., Secretary of State for War, the Bishop of London, and the Bishop of Kensington. Later in the day the prizes, 2,500 in number, were distributed by Lady Hilda Brodrick from the Handel Orchestra. The prizes were won in a recent examination on a course of study provided by the board for juvenile work, 250 branches entering for the examination.

THE CHALLENGE RANNEY.
For the branch obtaining the highest aggregate of marks was won by St. Andrews, Holborn, as was also the challenge shield for seniors. The challenge was awarded to the Brentford District Schools, a special banner being presented to Banstead. The Bishop of London's prize was secured by Amy Denna, of St. Stephen's, Tricklebank; Maud Perret, of the same branch, receiving the Bishop of Kensington's prize; while Nelly Blesley, of St. Mary's, Tottenham, was awarded the Bishop of Ilchester's prize.

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After the distribution, Mr. St. John Brodrick, who met with a most enthusiastic reception, expressed the deep interest which Lady Hilda and he took in the social and beneficent work. Knowing a little about organization himself—(laughter and cheer)—he could not help admiring the manner in which the stewards had managed to bring such an enormous number of smiling, happy children together without a mishap, and it certainly was a most creditable feat.

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SENSATIONAL JOURNALISM.

LORD HALSBURY'S DENUNCIATION.
SIR J. WILLOOBS ON THE ASHANTI CAMPAIGN.
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Prof. Nichols, a distinguished American, claims to have discovered that the planets contribute an appreciable quantity of heat to the earth. He has an instrument for measuring heat, which he declares will calculate the amount of heat which a candle gives a mile away.

The French mental specialist, Dr. Toulouze, pleads in the "Débats" for as much liberty for lunatics as is given to lepers and to convicts, on the ground that, if they were free, they would not supply a larger percentage of mischief-doers than other classes of the population.

There are living in the Close at Lichfield the aged widow of Bishop Beloe, an aunt of the Bishop of St. Albans, and the widow of Archbishop Allen, the well-known Broad Church humorist, all over 90, and a few yards outside the Close an old lady of more than 100.

After a walk of 25,000 miles through Servia, Montenegro, Albania, Greece, Macedonia, Turkey, Bulgaria, Roumania, Russia, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, France, England, Scotland, Ireland, Portugal, Spain, the Riviera, Italy, and Switzerland, the Servian globe-trotter, Milan Milonovic, is being fêted in Vienna.

A young New York doctor is seriously raising himself—3,000 tickets at 41 each. "I want to begin practice in a proper manner," he says, "and I will marry the winner, who will share the money with me."

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There are 75 doctors to every 100,000 persons in London.

Many lawyers are 250ft. in height above the water.

6,000 bedsteads are made weekly in Birmingham.

London has 1,800 acres of parks, Dublin 1,750 acres.

It takes 11 tons of beet to produce one ton of beet sugar.

The pound of mulberry leaves yields one ounce of raw silk.

Copper usually is worth £70 to £80 a ton. In 1898 it fell to £40.

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